"The Hindustan Times" dated 8th November, 1994, caption "Vedic teachings in health care stressed", at the first interdisciplinary academic conference held on October 28 and 29, 1994 in Columbia Universily ■discussing specifically on contribution from India's three and half millannia of scientific tradition and achievements;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating number of participants from India and elsewhere;

(c) whether the above conference had achieved any major steps towards changing prevailing perspectives about health care and medicines as suggested in Vedas; and

(d) Government's reaction thereto and contribution that is likely to be made in near future both in India and abroad?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(K) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

**Spread of falciparum Malaria**

2275. SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of cases of malaria registered in the country in the last three years with State-wise break-up;

(b) what is the number of cases which belong to Plasmodium falciparum in the last three years with State-wise break-up;

fc) what is the response of the Ministry to the widespread Press Report about tile massive incidents of malaria and specif! cully the dreaded Falciparum variety in Western Rajasthan:

fdl whether it b a fact that the Standing Committee on Human Resource Deve•opment had severely reprimanded the Health Ministry for the weaknesses in the National Malaria Eradication Programme consecutively for two years; and

(el what action has been taken by Gov ernment in rectifying the situation?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B SHANKARANAND): fa) aid *(V)* A Stafemenl is given ns Anneture fW Appendix 1[7]2, A'iiieu'iv No. 521.

fcl Ouring September/October. 1994 there was an increase in Malaria and P. falciparum cases in Western Rajasthan which has been brought under control,

(d) and (e) No, Sir. The Committee made certain observations relating to increasing allocations for malaria control aeed to intensify control measures in tribal areas and deal with Kala-azar in Bihar. Measure* have been initiated to achieve these goal*.

**Emergency night services in CGHS Dispensaries**

2276. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether emergency night services in some of the CGHS dispensaries have been stopped; and

(b) if so. the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) The emergency night services have been discontinued only in CGHS dispensary at Faridabad due to repeated requests from the Area Welfare Officer of that dispensary.

**Strike by Doctors of Suchcta Kriplaui and Kalawati Saran Hospitals of New Delhi**

2277. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will th» Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY \RE be pleased to stae :

fa) whether it is a fact that the doctors including the resident doctors at Sucheta Kriplani Hospital and Kalawati Saran Children's Hospital in the capital went suddenly on a protest strike on the 10th November, 1994, alleging that a number of doctors among them have had contracted viral hepaf'tis;

(b) whether Government have conducted any inquiry into the said allegations of the doctors, and if so. the findnigs thereof;

i I specific steps, if any. taken to prevent recurrence of break out of infectious diseases in the Government hospitals in particular, in future;

fd) whether it is a fact that ow'ng to doctors strike in Sucheta Kriplani and Saran Hospitals of New Delhi, pat'ents in large number in both the hospitals were forced to leave the hospitals;

(e) if so. the number of pat'enfs, who were forced to leave, their respective age ailments of each of them for treatment of which they had been admitted in the :a!s; and

(f) arrangements if any, made for con-. of medical care for them?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND TTV WET FARE fSHRI B. SHANKARANAND1: (al and fbt The Hospital